Park Service, Department of the Interior; Paul Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installation and Housing; Curtis Feeny, Stanford Management Company, Menlo Park, California; and Toby Rosenblatt, Glen Ellen Company, San Francisco, California, on behalf of the Golden Gate National Park Association.

PROPERTY RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee resumed markup of S. 605, to establish a uniform and more efficient Federal process for protecting property owners' rights guaranteed by the fifth amendment, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 2813–2821; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 134–135, and H. Res. 316 were introduced.

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 104–427);

H. Res. 317, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 134, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996 (H. Rept. 104–428);

H. Res. 318, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 1655, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 104–429); and

Conference report on H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence (H. Rept. 104–430);

H. Res. 319, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence (H. Rept. 104–431); and

H. Res. 320, authorizing the Speaker to declare recesses subject to the call of the Chair from December 23, 1995 through December 27, 1995 (H. Rept. 104–432).

Pages H15224–35, H15237, H15286, H15315

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Wicker to act as Speaker pro tempore for today

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Presidential Veto—Securities Litigation Reform: Read a message from the President wherein he an-

nounces his veto of H.R. 1058, to reform Federal securities legislation, and explains his reasons therefor—ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–150).

Pages H15214-15

Subsequently, by a yea-and-nay vote of 319 yeas to 100 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 870, the House voted to override the President's veto of H.R. 1058, to reform Federal securities litigation (two-thirds of those present voting in favor)—clearing the measure for Senate action.

Pages H15215–24

Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary Appropriations: Agreed to the Rogers motion to refer the Presidential veto message and the bill, H.R. 2076, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Pages H15239-43

Interstate Commerce Commission Termination: House agreed to H. Res. 312, the rule waiving points of order against consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2539, to abolish the Interstate Commerce Commission, and to amend subtitle IV of title 49, United States Code. Pages H15243–44

Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste: House agreed to H. Res. 313, providing for the consideration of H.R. 558, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact.

Pages H15244–55

Further Continuing Resolution: By a yea-and-nay vote of 411 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 874, the House passed H.J. Res. 134, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996.

Pages H15295-H15308

Rejected the Obey motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back forthwith containing a new text that sought to provide ensured payment during fiscal year 1996 of veterans' benefits in event of lack of appropriations for fiscal year 1996 not

being available (rejected by a recorded vote of 178 yeas to 234 noes, Roll No. 873). Pages H15306–07

Points of order were sustained against the following motions:

The Obey motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back forthwith containing a new text that sought to provide ensured payment during fiscal year 1996 of veterans' benefits in the vent of lack of appropriations for fiscal year 1996; to provide for a pay raise for fiscal year 1996 for the uniformed services; and to eliminate the disparity between effective dates for military and civilian retiree cost-of-living adjustments for fiscal year 1996. Agreed to the Livingston motion to table the Obey motion appealing the ruling of the Chair sustaining the point of order (agreed to by a recorded vote of 236 ayes to 176 noes, Roll No. 872); and

Pages H15303-05

The Obey motion to recommit the joint resolution to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back forthwith containing a new text that sought to ensure payment during fiscal year 1996 of veterans' benefits in event of lack of appropriations for fiscal 1996; and to provide for pay for Federal and District of Columbia employees during lapse in appropriations for fiscal year 1996.

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H. Res. 317, the rule under which the joint resolution was considered, was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. Agreed to order the previous question on the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 238 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 871.

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Recess: House recessed at 12:05 a.m. on December 21 and reconvened at 12:10 a.m.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page H15209.

Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H15238.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H15223–24, H15294–95, H15304–05, H15307, and H15307–08. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:11 a.m. on Thursday, December 21.

Committee Meetings

FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS—TO ENSURE PAYMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 11 to 0, a closed rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.J. Res. 134, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996. The rule provides one motion to recommit which may only include instructions if offered by the Minority Leader or his designee. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hutchinson, Kennedy of Massachusetts and Moran.

CONFERENCE REPORT—INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1655, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Chairman Combest and Representative Dicks.

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 4, to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending and reduce welfare dependence.

RECESS AUTHORITY

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported a resolution authorizing the Speaker to declare recesses subject to the call of the Chair from December 23, 1995 through December 27, 1995.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

Joint Meetings

AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

Conferees on Tuesday, December 19, agreed to file a conference report on H.R. 1655, to authorize funds for fiscal year 1996 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.